Welfare schemes for SC, ST, OBC and Minority students

3161. SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether various welfare schemes for students belonging to the SC, ST, OBCs and Minorities *e.g.* providing free stationary in schools, grant scholarships at school and graduation levels and also for vocational studies in ITI, etc., are being implemented in the States and UTs;

(b) the details of schemes showing estimated number of beneficiaries of each *vis-a-vis* actuals, State-wise for the last three years;

(c) the details of funds earmarked for each schemes and Centre's share therein *vis-a-vis* fund actually spent during the period, State-wise; and

(d) the findings of inquiry conducted, if any, into the reasons for lower utilization whenever and wherever detected?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) and (c) The Government is implementing the following schemes for providing free stationary, scholarships at school and graduation levels and also for vocational studies in ITI etc. to the SCs, STs, OBCs and Minority students:

1. Post-Matric Scholarship for SCs
2. Post-Matric Scholarship for STs
3. Pre-Matric Scholarship for OBCs
4. Post-Matric Scholarship for OBCs
5. Maulana Azad National Scholarship Scheme for Meritorious Girls belonging to Minorities.

The details of the beneficiaries, amount released and utilized during the last three years, State-wise is enclosed as Statement I to V. (*See* below)

(d) Whenever it is found that the utilization of funds is less than the released amount for the particular year, the unspent amount is adjusted in the next years' grant. Therefore, the question of conducting of inquiry does not arise.

Statement-I

Scheme of Post-Matric Scholarships to Scheduled Castes Students

(Rupees in lakh)

Sl No.	State/UT	2003-04			2004-05			2005-06		
		Released	Utilized	Bene-ficiaries	Released	Utilized	Bene-ficiaries	Released	Utilized	Bene-ficiaries
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1	Andhra Pradesh	5449.14	4454.25	276880	8434.74	10546.93	346495	9435.46	Utilization Certificate awaited.	399960
2	Assam	412 41	280.83	14007	228.28	324.97	23370	490 41		21600
3	Bihar	0	24.00	29031	1000.00	1083.62	37187	1100 00		37425
4	Chhattisgarh	352.72	142.10	33523	1567.79	1344.98	65697	526 00		46356
5	Goa	0	1.11	92	1.93	1.18	94	3.00		104
6	Gujarat	1373.70	687.79	81766	463.84	362.59	81656	940.12		80141
7	Haryana	228.53	166.71	15930	425.00	423.38	15510	456.00		18812
8	Himachal Pradesh	11.82	30.95	5216	31.21	34.97	5295	143.87		5583
9	Jammu & Kashmir	95.99	0	4581	28.81	31.78	5874	136.31		12834
10	Jharkhand	281.04	0	10950	84.31	25.40	12045	Nil		13740
11	Karnataka	2481 94	1191.53	80103	2699.58	3046.66	154266	2652.00		169690
12	Kerala	677 57	649.70	73550	999.49	2352.83	81234	3771.00		88452
13	Madhya Pradesh	1278 93	1131.61	82554	1366.60	1837.39	81602	3064 10		89495
14	Maharashtra	2765.58	3408.90	288182	42220.47	7255.34	318515	8490 95		334441
15	Manipur	82.77	75.66	2744	84.13	122.89	3380	126.43		3719

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
16	Meghalaya	15.55	8.47	1331	4.67	9.32	1464	8.33		1554
17	Orissa	0	NR	45718	Nil	36.36	NA	Nil		NA
18	Punjab	0	0	5920	Nil	0	6930	Nil		43370
19	Rajasthan	1207.70	1321.40	83948	1157.87	1275.96	79985	1508.34		120328
20	Sikkim	0	0	194	No Due	NR	NA	Nil		NA
21	Tamil Nadu	2184.45	2751.07	234324	2891.78	3921.91	241718	6982.18		253803
22	Tripura	174.24	181.89	8491	195.84	197.33	8640	222.39		9040
23	Uttaranchal	0	52.71	25805	302.25	301.48	27784	296.13		30608
24	Uttar Pradesh	5137.58	1695.83	391380	5937.70	8169.22	481804	11087.00		511122
25	West Bengal	2165.81	780.44	166415	807.19	2151.10	180789	3279.00		203710
26	Daman & Diu	0	0.34	62	0.89	NR	79	0.50		NA
27	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	0	NR	Nil	Nil	NR	NA	Nil		NA
28	Delhi	22.16	NR	10021	6.65	0	371	Nil		443
29	Pondicherry	9934	88.41	3578	85.38	94.26	2438	90.00		2519

Statement-II

Scheme of Post-Matric Scholarships to Scheduled Tribe Students

(Rupees in lakh)

Sl. No.	State/UT	2003-04			2004-05			2005-06		
		Released	Utilized	Bene-ficiaries	Released	Utilized	Bene-ficiaries	Released	Utilized	Bene-ficiaries
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1	Andhra Pradesh	2435.7	2435.7	69427	1084.23	1084.23	107562	3606.79	0	118484
2	Arunachal Pradesh	65.19	*0	8190	0	0	*13347	0	0	13347
3	Assam	0	0	57850	100	100	15117	1200.32	0	64898
4	Bihar	0	0	1796	0	0	1785	0	0	2982
5	Gujarat	185.27	185.27	162446	222.43	222.43	97923	2447.59	1101.94	98673
6	Himachal Pradesh	0	0	2956	9.17	1.85	2810	6.61	0	3520
7	Jammu & Kashmir	0	0	993	196.07	1.85	2810	6.61	0	3520
8	Karnataka	0	0	31892	400	400	37468	2020.5	667.28	41218
9	Kerala	0	0	5200	146.14	146.14	5783	289.72	0	6600
10	Madhya Pradesh	81.62	81.62	41649	899.04	696.22	55019	288.72	0	46000
11	Maharashtra	391.92	391.92	55449	1042.86	907.37	77923	1031.44	0	88908
12	Manipur	928.93	928.93	30274	538.97	538.97	31427	1794	566.67	34570
13	Meghalaya	339.99	339.99	41869	926.28	926.28	*43962	1925.31	809.52	45000
14	Mizoram	369	369	17612	900.99	900.99	38368	840.85	840.85	27475

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
15	Nagaland	1028.61	1028.61	27615	507	507	30309	982.5	486	32000
16	Orissa	0	0	39113	0	0	33623	100	0	39898
17	Rajasthan	484	484	68404	1792.57	1603.35	73297	1261.98	0	80373
18	Sikkim	12.69	12.69	672	15.01	15.01	647	9.94	0	1232
19	Tamil Nadu	0	0	1545	49.05	47.04	2108	17.86	0	2231
20	Tripura	161.09	161.09	6251	296.19	296.19	7438	195.14	0	8802
21	Uttar Pradesh	0	0	468	107.62	80.8	5079	56.07	0	4900
22	West Bengal	94.57	94.57	11135	345.31	268.31	20764	245.21	0	19360
23	A & N Islands	0.89	0.89	111	2.74	2.74	184	3.09	0	292
24	Daman & Diu	0	0	19	0	0	24	0	0	30
25	Uttranchal	0	0	9839	137.5	70.12	10277	85.05	0	10937
26	Chattisgarh	0	0	54645	206.45	206.45	46752	1254.04	0	53658
27	Jharkhand	0	0	8187	200	200	20452	841.26	0	21637
28	Goa	0	0	262	12.09	0	557	6.04	0	590

**Anticipated Benficiares*

Statement-III

Scheme of Pre-Matric Scholarships to OBC Students

(Rupees in lakh)

Sl. No.	State/UT	2003-04			2004-05			2005-06		
		Released	Utilized	Bene-ficiaries	Released	Utilized	Bene-ficiaries	Released	Utilized	Bene-ficiaries
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1	Andhra Pradesh	402.60	402.60	96545	673.37	773.37	120000	457.86	Utilization Certificate awaited.	100229
2	Assam	26.00	26.00	16459						
3	Gujarat	260.30	260.30	46000	353.30	335.30	59320	456.65		91000
4	Himachal Pradesh							16.50		3500
5	Jammu & Kashmir							61.26		35820
6	Karnataka	2657	2657	159860						
7	Manipur	75.00	75.00	20790				50.00		25000
8	Punjab							100.00		24360
9	Rajasthan		194.24	194.24	87497					
10	Tamil Nadu			242.55	242.55	48470		400.00		60000
11	Tripura	175.00	175.00	39375	120.67	120.67	54889	121.03		55050
12	Uttar Pradesh	615.29	615.29	1150000	325.17	325.17	900000	296.11		901830
13	Uttaranchal				1.60	1.60	38141	11.58		32083
14	Chhattisgarh				102.00	102.00	46000			

Statement-IV

Scheme of Post-Matric Scholarships to OBC Students

(Rupees in lakh)

Sl. No.	State/UT	2003-04			2004-05			2005-06		
		Released	Utilized	Bene-ficiaries	Released	Utilized	Bene-ficiaries	Released	Utilized	Bene-ficiaries
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1	Andhra Pradesh	299.02	299.02	15454	299.02	299.02	15454	299.02		15454
2	Assam	1.61	1.61	858	100.02	100.02	8580			
3	Delhi							5.00		55
4	Gujarat	323.25	323.25	13000	344.12	344.12	20.800	344.12		13600
5	Haryana				13.77	13.77	1			
6	Himachal Pradesh				16.28	16.28	2197			
7	Jammu & Kashmir							224.24		
8	Karnataka	187.25	187.25	16525	248.45	248.45	18439			
9	Maharashtra				13.76	13.75	1	56.56		1725
10	Manipur				108.51	108.51	8840	203.34		7840
11	Orissa	18.09	18.09	624						
12	Pondicherry				10.00	10.00	2137			
13	Punjab				109.53	109.53	8266	138.42		22992
14	Rajasthan	362.72	362.72	18604				235.24		959
15	Sikkim						1028			
16	Tamil Nadu				266.63	266.63	25120	290.25		2590
17	Tripura	240.00	240.00	23934	98.83	98.83	6612	111.13		8357
18	Uttar Pradesh	987.91	987.91	141321	742.09	742.09	102762	640.31		64248
19	Uttaranchal	11.90	11.90	2669	62.31	62.31	7458	72.53		324
20	Goa	3.26	3.26	400	13.90	13.90	285	13.90		460

Statement-V

Scheme Maulana Azad National Scholarship for Meritorious Girls belonging to Educationally Backward Minorities

(Rupees in lakh)

Sl.No.	Financial Year	Quota	No. of Scholarships	Amount of Scholarships sanctioned
1.	2003-04	1200	634	63.40
2	2004-05	3000	2781	27810
3	2005-06*	3000	3571	357.10

Identification of the forest dependent communities

3162. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any study to identify the forest-dependent communities who have total dependency on the forests;

(b) whether Government will grant any rights to such communities living in tribal villages and also grant them new rights under the proposed legislations; and

(c) the details of steps proposed to give forest rights to forest-dependent people?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P. R. KYNDIAH): (a) The Ministry has not undertaken any study to identify the forest dependent communities.

(b) and (c) The Ministry of Tribal Affairs has introduced a Scheduled Tribes (Recognition of Forest Rights) Bill, 2005 in the Lok Sabha on 13.12.2005, which seeks to recoghise and vest certain rights relating to forest land in forest dwelling scheduled tribes, who have been residing in such forests for generations but whose rights have not been recorded, and to provide a framework for recording the forest rights so vested. The Bill when enacted would recognise the rights of forest dwelling scheduled tribes relating to (a) tenurial security; (b) livelihood, in terms of agriculture and ownership of minor forest produce, including rights to collect, trade and process the same; and (c) traditional and customary rights. The Scheduled Tribes (Recognition of Forest Rights) Bill, 2005 has been referred to a Joint Committee of both the Houses for examination.